

## **Accountable and Integrated Health and Human Services Motion 13768 Overview**

**What does the Motion call for?** It calls for the Executive, in collaboration with a stakeholder panel and the departments of Public Health and Community and Human Services, to develop a plan for an accountable and integrated system of health, human services, and community based prevention for the county's residents in need (lines 50-56)

**Why the Council is calling for an integrated system?** HHS system change is needed (lines 8-48)

- Despite the fact that the county has made progress in improving health and human services through MIDD and VHSL and other efforts, disparities continue to exist
- Disparities result in negative impacts to citizens and drive up costs for all sectors: nonprofits, government, hospitals, emergency services, justice, etc.
- The current provision of health and human services involves multiple systems, funding streams, and reporting requirements without a single point of accountability
- While some systems and some providers coordinate services, there is not widespread and organized systems integration and services alignment
- Addressing disparities, improving health outcomes, and increasing efficiencies through an integrated system requires expertise, collaboration, and will

**Who is represented on the stakeholder panel?** Representatives from health and human services, prevention and public health, geographic subregions of the county, and local and national experts in system transformation and innovation (lines 57-61) (see attachment)

**What does the plan need to address?** (lines 62-81)

- Systems of health, human services, and community based prevention and recovery operated and funded by King County
- Coordination and integration strategies across a variety of health and human services domains and populations
- Centered on people: individual, family, and communities
- Provide for culturally appropriate, evidence based/informed strategies
- Cost effective, integrated, prevention focused and recovery oriented programs

**What are the specific policy goals to be achieved through the plan?** (lines 82-88)

- Improved experience of health care and human services for residents
- Lowered or controlled costs
- Options for creation and implementation of a single point of accountability for health and human services, quality and outcomes.

**What else does the plan need to include?** (lines 89-120)

- Vision for an accountable and integrated system
- An implementation plan
- How the redesigned system will coordinate with other County work and planning processes
- The role of performance measurement and potential metrics
- Recommended strategic investments
- Options for financing the integrated system by using existing or new revenue generating authority such as allowed under RCW 82.14.450

**Questions?**

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